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1. Between 7 and 19 January 1948, the following transports moved eastward through Zossen, bound for Frankfurt/Oder:

Date	No. of Cars	Description of Transports
7 January	28	Timber
8 January	24	Grain, cattle
	32	Plaster
10 January	32	Wooden houses
12 January	26	Timber for bridge construction
16 January	16	Grain
18 January	22	Timber

2. Between 5 and 18 January, the following eastbound transports moved through Elsterwerda, bound for Forst:

Date	No. of Cars	Description of Transports
5 January	22	Dismantled machines
7 January	22	Agricultural machines, new
9 January	14	Machine gun parts and light mortars
10 January	26	Dismantled machinery
11 January	6	Liquid air in special bottles
	12	Chassis for tanks
	18	Bogie frames and chassis for narrow-gauge railways
12 January	22	Dismantled machinery
14 January	8	Tank gears and tracks
16 January	10	Ceramics and insulation material

After about 17 January, shipments of machinery increased noticeably, reaching approximately 50 cars daily. The cars contained for the most part heavy machine tools, presses, automatic machines, equipment for mines, hoists, and spare parts for tanks. Since the Leipzig railroad net is considerably congested, an order was given by a high-ranking officer to by-pass Leipzig whenever possible.

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3. Between 12 and 21 January, the following transports moved through Kuestrin-Kietz on their way to Insterburg:

Date	No. of Cars	Description of transports
12 January	105	Scrap iron
13 January	55	Scrap iron
	56	Barracks parts
14 January	114	Scrap iron
	116	Timber
15 January	107	Scrap iron
16 January	57	Scrap iron
	60	Barracks parts
	55	Grain
17 January	112	Scrap iron
18 January	56	Scrap iron
	112	Barracks parts
19 January	114	Scrap iron
	114	Barracks parts
20 January	50	Sugar
	57	Scrap iron
21 January	54	Barracks parts
	112	Scrap iron

During the same period, i.e., between 12 and 21 January, 21 empty trains returned from Russia and passed through Kuestrin-Kietz on their way to Germany.

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